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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** INDIA  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India |
| **3.** | **Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):** *Citrus* spp., Blueberry and Cranberry (*Vaccinium* sp.) and Stone fruits (plum, peach, cherry, apricot, almond, nectarine) (*Prunus* spp.) |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[ ] All trading partners**  **[X] Specific regions or countries:** Australia |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003 (Eighth Amendment) 2024. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 4  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/IND/24_04396_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) (Eighth Amendment) Order, 2024 seeks to further liberalize provisions governing import of *Citrus* spp., Blueberry and Cranberry (*Vaccinium* sp.) and Stone fruits(plum, peach, cherry, apricot, almond, nectarine) (*Prunus* spp.),from Australia. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ] food safety, [ ] animal health, [X] plant protection, [X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [X] protect territory from other damage from pests.** |
| **8.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:**  **[ ] Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:**  **[ ] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[X] International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** The contents of this notification are based on Pest Risk Analysis (PRA) conducted as per International Standards on Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM) Numbers 2 and 11 of International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) of FAO.  **[ ] None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[X] Yes [ ] No**  **If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:** |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Yet to be decided.  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Yet to be decided. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** This shall come into force on the date of their publication in the official gazette.  **[ ] Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 7 September 2024  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  Sh. Faiz Ahmed Kidwai, Additional Secretary, Plant Protection, Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Room No. 127, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi - 110011, INDIA. Tele: +(91 11) 2307 0916; E-mail: [jspp-dac@nic.in](mailto:jspp-dac@nic.in) |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [ ] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  The details can be obtained from the National Enquiry Point **–** Sh. Faiz Ahmed Kidwai, Additional Secretary, Plant Protection, Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Room No. 127, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi - 110011, INDIA. Tele: +(91 11) 2307 0916; E-mail: [jspp-dac@nic.in](mailto:jspp-dac@nic.in) |